

8. (Amended) A video data recording and reproducing system for editing a source video [data;] data, said system comprising:

a video tape recording means for recording a source video data onto a tape medium with a first data rate during a recording period and for reproducing recorded source video data from said tape medium with a second data rate which is higher than said first transfer rate to generate reproduced video data;

a disc recording means for recording said reproduced video data onto a disc medium with said second data rate so that said source video data is copied from said tape medium to said disc medium during a transfer period which is shorter than said recording period of said source video data; and

an editing means for controlling a reproducing operation of said disc recording means to generate an edited video data [comprises] including a plurality of edit portions which is designated by an editing operation from said source video data recorded on said disc [recording means] medium.

10. (Amended) [the] The video data recording and reproducing system according to claim 8,

wherein said editing means [cartels] controls said reproducing operation of said disc recording means so that said edited video data is reproduced from said disc medium with said second data rate and controls said recording operation of said video tape recording means so that said edited video data reproduced from said disc recording means is recorded on said tape medium with said second data rate.

11. (Amended) The video data recording and reproducing system according to claim 8,

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wherein said editing means controls said reproducing operation of said disc recording means so that said edited video data is reproduced from said disc medium with said first data rate and controls said recording operation of said video tape recording means so that said edited video data reproduced from said disc recording means is recorded on said tape medium with said first data rate.

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14. (Amended) The video data recording and reproducing system according to claim [8] 8, further [comprising,] comprising:  
a transfer means for transferring said reproduced video data reproduced from said video tape recording means and said edited video data reproduced from said disc recording means.

15. (Amended) The video data recording and reproducing system according to claim [8] 8, further [comprising,] comprising:  
an input/output means for receiving said source video data and for outputting said edited video data.

Please add new claims 16-20 as follows:

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--16. A video data recording and reproducing system for editing a source video data, said system comprising:  
a video tape recorder configured to record a source video data onto a tape medium with a first data rate during a recording period, and configured to reproduce recorded source video data from said tape medium with a second data rate which is higher than said first transfer rate to generate reproduced video data;  
a disc recorder configured to record said reproduced video data onto a disc medium with said second data rate so that said source video data is copied from said tape medium to said disc

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medium during a transfer period which is shorter than said recording period of said source video data; and

an editing designation circuit configured to control a reproducing operation of said disc recorder to generate an edited video data including a plurality of edit portions which is designated by an editing operation from said source video data recorded on said disc medium.

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17. A method of editing video data, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a tape medium and a disc medium;

recording a source video data onto said tape medium with a first data rate during a recording period;

reproducing recorded source video data from said tape medium with a second data rate which is higher than said first transfer rate to generate reproduced video data;

recording said reproduced video data onto said disc medium with said second data rate so that said source video data is copied from said tape medium to said disc medium during a transfer period which is shorter than said recording period of said source video data;

editing said source video data on said disc medium by designating a plurality of edit portions; and

generating an edited video data including said plurality of edit portions.

18. The method according to claim 17,

wherein said edited video data is generated such that said edited video data is reproduced from said disc medium with said first or second data rate.